

Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel Claims 42-50 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please add Claims 51-58 as follows.

Claims 1-50 (Canceled).

51. (New) An image pickup apparatus comprising:

an image pickup unit for obtaining a digital image;

an interface for connecting to a storage medium which stores the digital image obtained by said image pickup unit;

a reproducing unit for reading out the digital image stored in the storage medium via said interface and causing a display apparatus to display the read-out image;

a designating unit for designating the image displayed on the display apparatus as a print subject for an external printer communicating with said image pickup apparatus;

a display control unit for causing the display apparatus to display a print setting screen, in accordance with a first designation provided to said designating unit; and

a printing control unit for instructing the external printer to print the image displayed by the display apparatus, in response to a designation provided to said designating unit successively to the first designation.

52. (New) An image pickup apparatus according to claim 51, wherein the print setting screen is arranged so as to display a menu for instructing execution of a printing operation, and another menu, the menu for instructing execution of the printing operation being selected as a default menu in the displayed print setting screen.

53. (New) An image pickup apparatus according to claim 51, wherein the print setting screen includes a selection item of cancellation.

54. (New) A control method for an image pickup apparatus comprising an image pickup unit for obtaining a digital image, an interface for connecting to a storage medium which stores the digital image obtained by the image pickup unit, a reproducing unit for reading out the digital image stored in the storage medium via the interface and causing a display apparatus to display the read-out image, and a designating unit for designating the image displayed on the display apparatus as a print subject for an external printer communicating with the image pickup apparatus, said control method comprising:

a display control step of causing the display apparatus to display a print setting screen, in accordance with a first designation provided to the designating unit; and

a printing control step of instructing the external printer to print the image displayed by the display apparatus, in response to a designation provided to the designating unit successively to the first designation.

55. (New) A control method according to claim 54, wherein the print setting screen is arranged so as to display a menu for instructing execution of a printing operation, and another menu, the menu for instructing execution of the printing operation being selected as a default menu in the displayed print setting screen.

56. (New) A control method according to claim 54, wherein the print setting screen includes a selection item of cancellation.

57. (New) A computer program product stored on a computer-readable memory medium and embodying a computer-executable program for implementing a control method for an image pickup apparatus comprising an image pickup unit for obtaining a digital image, an interface for connecting to a storage medium which stores the digital image obtained by the image pickup unit, a reproducing unit for reading out the digital image stored in the storage medium via the interface and causing a display apparatus to display the read-out image, and a designating unit for designating the image displayed on the display apparatus as a print subject for an external printer communicating with the image pickup apparatus, said computer program causing execution of the steps of:

causing the display apparatus to display a print setting screen, in accordance with a first designation provided to the designating unit; and

instructing the external printer to print the image displayed by the display apparatus, in response to a designation provided to the designating unit successively to the first designation.

58. (New) A computer-readable medium storing a program for causing an image pickup apparatus to execute a control method therefor, the image pickup apparatus comprising an image pickup unit for obtaining a digital image, an interface for connecting to a storage medium which stores the digital image obtained by the image pickup unit, a reproducing unit for reading out the digital image stored in the storage medium via the interface and causing a display apparatus to display the read-out image, and a designating unit for designating the image displayed on the display apparatus as a print subject for an external printer communicating with the image pickup apparatus, said control method comprising:

a display control step of causing the display apparatus to display a print setting screen, in accordance with a first designation provided to the designating unit; and

a printing control step of instructing the external printer to print the image displayed by the display apparatus, in response to a designation provided to the designating unit successively to the first designation.